## **BEFORE**

# THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

## DOCKET NO. 2011-411-E - ORDER NO. 2011-817

# NOVEMBER 18, 2011

IN RE:	Application of Progress Energy Carolinas,	)	ORDER APPROVING
	Incorporated for Permission to Sell Land	)	THE SALE OF
	That is No Longer Needed to Provide Utility	)	PROPERTY
	Service	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application of Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. ("PEC" or the "Company") for Permission to Sell Land That is No Longer Needed to Provide Utility Service. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-1300 (Supp. 2010), which requires electric utilities to seek Commission approval before selling property with a value that exceeds one million dollars. According to the Application, PEC seeks to sell 114 acres of land located at Harris Plant in Wake County, North Carolina to Veridea Holdings, LLC for a gain of \$6,258,545.\(^1\) PEC's proposed accounting treatment for this transaction is FERC Account No. 101 will be credited for the book value of the property; and FERC Account No. 421.1, Gain on Disposition of Property, will be credited for the difference between the book value and sale price, less the credit for the condemnation proceeds.

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Originally, this tract of land consisted of 136 acres that was purchased in 1971 for \$104,855. In November 2010, the North Carolina Turnpike Authority condemned approximately 22 acres of this land for \$1,856,200 in compensation. PEC states an appraisal values the property at \$5,940,000.

Since this property is no longer needed to provide utility service, we find that its sale will not affect customers. Therefore, we hold that the Application is approved, and PEC may sell the property.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

John E. Howard, Chairman

ATTEST:

David A. Wright, Vice Chairman

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